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The Office notes the 9/4/08 Appeal Brief contains a typographical error in section "6 Grounds of Rejection to be Reviewed upon Appeal." The Office inadvertently did not include the secondary reference "Carbonari et al." under the heading of the 35 USC 103 statement and should read :

"Claims 1-3 and 8-12 are rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Fritchie in view of Carbonari et al."

The Office regrets this error and any inconvenience this may have caused Appellant. The Office notes the remainder of the 35 USC 103 rejection properly addresses both Fritchie et al. and Carbonari et al. and no further corrections are required on the merits of the rejection at this point.

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